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RE: RFP #MWJ1801 - Cafeteria, Vending, Catering and Kiosk Food Services - Notice of Renewal/Extension with City Colleges of Chicago

Sole Source Provider

Fooda is seeking sole source exemption for childcare meal service due to the unique challenges that would be brought on by having to share a commercial kitchen space with another provider. The childcare centers do not have a private kitchen and the centers utilize the campus cafeteria kitchens to receive and hold their meals and this leaves the time, temperature, and surrounding sanitation of those meals the responsibility for the licensed sanitarian on-site.

Through our sole source operation, Fooda is able to provide full service to the CCC childcare centers through use of our on-site sanitarian, hot holding equipment and refrigeration. In Fooda's capacity as the food service provider for City Colleges of Chicago, the kitchens are licensed for our exclusive use and an outside provider would bring unnecessary risk to the operation and ultimately the children who the meals are intended.

Respectfully,

Jay Speidel  
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